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SWINTON URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Health Department,  
SWINTON.



June, 1941.

To the Chairman and Members of the  
Swinton Urban District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Gentlemen,

It is suggested in the Ministry of Health Circular No.2067 dated 19th July 1940 that Reports of this nature might be materially shortened, so that it is my intention to give figures only as far as possible, and to cut out elaboration of these figures, to set out the work done by me during the year under review;

As in the previous year I have had to give a considerable amount of my time to work on A.R.P. matters.

Inspection Work

Public Health Acts.

	No.	No. of houses concerned.
Drainage:		
Choked, removed, i.e. by owners ... ..	19	-
By Council under scheme ... ..	40	-
New drains provided and tested ... ..	24	18
Old drains tested ... ..	19	17
Old drains taken up and disbanded ... ..	19	17
New gullies provided, ... ..	21	20

Inspection Chambers:

Provided where non-existent previously ... ..	4	8
Existing chambers repaired ... ..	1	-

Houses:

Defective chimneys, flues, stacks and pots ... ..	19
Defective ovens renewed ... ..	23
Defective firebars renewed ... ..	26
Defective side boilers renewed ... ..	21
Smoke nuisances ... ..	10
Plastering of internal walls and ceilings ... ..	162
Dampness of walls and ceilings remedied ... ..	107
Doors renewed and repaired ... ..	16
Washing coppers renewed ... ..	8
Windows, frames, sashes and cords renewed ... ..	26
Steps repaired and renewed (stairs cellars and outer ... ..	36
Floors repaired and renewed ... ..	21
Roofs repaired ... ..	49
Dangerous gable rebuilt ... ..	1
Cellars flooded, remedied ... ..	3
Repointing of external walls ... ..	31
Yards paved (for 41 houses) ... ..	8
Pantries - insufficient light and ventilation ... ..	7
Cellar grates and kerbs renewed ... ..	36
Houses provided with damp proof courses ... ..	4

Roof drainage:

Repairs and renewals of eaves, gutters and fall pipes ...	102
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Sinks and Sink drainage:

Sinks and sink waste pipes renewed ... ..	21
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General:

Animals ... ..	2
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Water Closets:

General defects remedied (cisterns and basins) ... .. 29

Informal Notices:

Served (written and verbal) ... .. 259  
Letters written as reminders to all notices .. ... 25  
Letters written on various general subjects .. ... 28

Formal Notices:

Served (total) ... .. 7  
P.H.A. 1936 Section 36 ... .. 2  
Section 93 ... .. 5

In hand at 31st December 1940:

Formal ... .. 4  
Informal ... .. 9

Notices under the Housing Acts:

H.A. 1936, Section 155 ... .. 2  
H.A. 1936, Section 9 ... .. 26  
Section 17 ... .. 2  
Section 51 (10 years certificates) ... .. 7  
Informal ... .. 60  
Letters ... .. 81

Additional fresh water closets provided (total) ... .. 17

Additional to houses ... .. 1  
Other buildings ... .. 2  
Provided for new houses and buildings ... .. 14  
Disused, demolition of property .. ... 2

Ashpits abolished (total) ... .. 1

By demolition of property ... .. 1

Sanitary dust bins provided (total) ... .. 17

Provided for new houses and buildings ... .. 17  
Dilapidated, renewed ... .. 53  
Disused, demolition of property .. ... 1

Privies done away with (total) .. ... 2

Demolition of property ... .. 2

Yards paving.

During the year 6 yards in respect of <sup>41</sup>~~41~~ houses have been paved.

Collection and Disposal of house refuse:

Transport: 2, S. & D. Freighters, 7 and 9 cube yard body  
respectively  
1 Morris 30 cwt. general purposes lorry

Labour: 1 driver and 2 fillers to each freighter.  
1 driver for Morris lorry  
2 tip levellers.

Disposal: 100% controlled tipping on two tips, one at Queen  
Street and one at Kilmhurst.

The disposal work <sup>generally</sup> has been carried out satisfactorily and without  
nuisance.

AMOUNT OF WORK DONE.

Total pits emptied ... .. 71  
Total loads removed (all refuse) . ... .. 2061  
i.e. ashpits refuse only-Freighters .. ... 5  
-Lorry . ... .. 24  
dry refuse bins only-Freighters . ... .. 1950  
-Lorry ... .. 82



Loads tipped on Council tips (total) . . . . .	2061
Swinton . . . . .	19
Kilmhurst (controlled tip) . . . . .	480
Queen Street (controlled tip) . . . . .	1562
Mileage Run (Total) . . . . .	10948.7
Freighter No.1 . . . . .	2527.2
Freighter No.2 . . . . .	2541.0
Morris lorry . . . . .	5602.2
" " (A.F.S. Duties) . . . . .	278.3
Tip Work.	
Morris lorry, loads . . . . .	305
Salvage Work (total loads) . . . . .	852
Morris lorry loads . . . . .	822
Freighter loads . . . . .	30

# ANALYSIS OF WEIGHTS.

Vehicle	Refuse	Loads	Tons	wt.		No. of bins per load	T I P P I N G			No. of bins emptied.
				Av. per Load	Av. per Bin.		Swinn.	Kiln.	Queen St.	
							T. c.	t. c.	t. c.	
Fr.1	Bins	971	1723	1.15. 2	52.17	76.20		630.0	2977.10	73973
	Salvage	15	9							
Fr.2	Bins	979	1811	1.17. 0	54.80	75.43				
	Salvage	15	11							
Lorry	Bins	82	73½	1.18. 0	47.34	42.40	33 -			3478
	Salvage	822	173½							
Fr.	Night	5	9	1.15. 1.	-	-				
	Soil									
Lorry	"	24	24	1. 0. 0.	-	-				
		2913	3834				33.0	630.0	2977.10	

# WORKING COSTS.

Gross Cost			2255. 2. 7.
i.e. Collection	Wages	Working costs.	
Refuse	1030.5. 5.	-	
Sick Pay	31.8.11.	-	
Repairs	10.15.9.	92. 7.10.	
Establishment	60. 9.0.	5. 3. 2.	
Salvage	294. 1. 8.	34. 8. 7.	
Highways	4. 8. 2.	-	
Lorry A/c.	-	269. 6. 0.	
	1431. 8.11.	401. 5. 7.	1832.14. 6.
Disposal	422. 8.1.	- - -	422. 8. 1.
			£ 2255. 2. 7.

# Deduct from Gross Cost

Drain clearances (Or collection)	7. 0. 0.	
Highways Department	4. 8. 2.	
Salvage receipts ( 9mos.)	564. 7. 4.	575. 15. 6
Nett Cost		1679. 7. 1.

Wages costs above include cost of Salvage of material (see separate statement for details).

# COSTS, TAKING INTO A/C SALVAGE CREDIT.

	Collection	Disposal	Nett. Total Cost
Cost per house	1256.19. 0.	422. 8. 1.	1679. 7. 1.
	8. 1.5	2. 9.	10.10.5
Cost per 1000 houses	406. 5. 0.	137.10. 0.	543.15. 0.
Cost per 1000 population	104.14.11.	35. 4. 0.	139.18.11.

SALVAGE OF MATERIALS.  
9 Months ended Dec. 31/1940.

MATERIALS:	T.	c.	q.
Mixed Paper ... .. 1309 Bales...	81.	9.	2.
Clean Paper ... ..	2.	1.	0.

DESTRUCTOR SCRAP:			
Under 10" x 10" (flattened tins) ... ..	35.	14.	1.
Over 10" x 10" ... ..	7.	4.	2.

TEXTILES:			
Rags and Wools ... ..	3.	15.	0.
Bagging ... ..	1.	6.	2.

JARS AND BOTTLES:			
Jars 2 lbs. ... ..	193	doz.	
1 lb. ... ..	530	doz.	
Pickle ... ..	184	doz.	
Bottles ... ..	146	doz.	

SCRAP			
Steel ... ..	2.	18.	2.
Heavy Cast ... ..	4.	12.	1.
Light cast ... ..	3.	16.	0.

CULLET: ... ..	10.	17.	0.
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NON FERROUS METALS:	C.	lbs.
Aluminium ... ..	6.	102
Brass ... ..	10.	56
Lead ... ..	3.	0.
Spelter & Zinc ... ..	1.	28
Pewter ... ..	0.	56
Copper ... ..	2.	28
Battery Lead ... ..	2.	0.

HOUSEHOLD BONES:	13.	56.
Total (excluding Jars & Bottles) ... ..	<u>193</u>	<u>142.</u> 2q.

REVENUE:	£.	s.	d.
Gross ... ..	565.	2.	4.
Less dead carriage ... ..		15.	0.
	564.	7.	4.

COST:			
Wages ... ..	294.	1.	8.
Materials ... ..	34.	8.	7.
Excess Revenue over expenditure	<u>£235.</u>	<u>17.</u>	<u>1.</u>

I set out below the numbers and kinds of the sanitary conveniences in the district at the year end::

	No.	No. of houses with.	No. of other Buildings with.
Ashpits, wet covered	14	25	-
Privies	22	25	-
Water Closets :			
Fresh Water (pedestal)	3439	3060	96
Fresh Water (troughs)	22	1	3
Waste Water	5	5	-
Pail Closets	27	11	5
Sanitary Dust bins	3157	3162	55

COMPLAINTS OF NUISANCES RECEIVED:

The complaints of nuisances received during the year were 118 in number, these were all attended to without delay.

PREMISES CONTROLLED BY BYE-LAWS

Dairies and Cowsheds:



Cowsheds:

Number	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	15
Number of inspections	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	30

Dairies and Milkshops:

Number of inspections	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12
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On register:

Retailers only (in district)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Retailers only (outside districts)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12
Cowkeepers who are retailers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Cowkeepers who are wholesalers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1

Letters written:

General	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
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Alterations to the register are as follows:

two cowsheds were brought into re-use  
 one/insideretailer ceased business and was struck off  
 Supplementary license to retail pasteurized milk was withdrawn.

Factories and Workshops:

Bakehouses:

On register	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Number of inspections	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5

Factories:

On register	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	25
with mechanised power	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	19
without mechanised power	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
No. of inspections	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	51

Letters written	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
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The floor of one bakehouse has been renewed

Sanitary accommodation at one factory has been reconstructed.

Generally all premises are kept satisfactory.

No observations of chimneys for the emission of smoke were made.

Schools:

No. of visits	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12
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Offensive Trades:

Number of inspections (total)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	34
Letters written on various matters	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1

On register

Fish frying	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11
Maggott Breeder	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Marine Stores	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1

The following alterations to the register were made:

1 fish frying premises closed by occupier.

Slaughter Houses:

Up to January 31st, 1940, there were 5 Slaughter houses licensed in accordance with the provisions of the Food and Drugs Act 1938, but owing to the centralization of slaughtering there are now no licensed premises for slaughtering in the district with the exception of the premises used as a Knackers Yard for which a license is still in force.

Five applications under Section 57 of the Food and Drugs Act, 1938, were received but these were not proceeded with.



Drain Stoppages:

In 40 instances, drains of private properties were cleared by this department under the scheme the Council inaugurated for removing simple stoppages from drains.

## Eradication of Bed Bugs:

No. of Council houses found to be infested	...	...	...	...	...	10
Number disinfected	...	...	...	...	...	10
Other houses found to be infested	...	...	...	...	...	25
Number disinfected	...	...	...	...	...	25

Methods adopted for disinfection are spray by a satisfactory insecticide.

Housing Acts:

Internal and external repair of properties has been carried out, informal action chiefly. This is done by meeting owners of the property and discussing works required.

Overcrowding:

It will be seen from the Housing Statistics, that the number of cases of overcrowding has increased during the year.

In conclusion I beg to thank the members for their support, and to acknowledge the assistance given by other officials and my sincere thanks to Dr. Hatherley for his great help and valued advice given to me in the performance of my duties during the year.

I beg to remain,  
Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,  
Yours obediently,

E Adams

Sanitary Inspector.





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# HOUSING STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 1940.

1.	Total number of dwellinghouses inspected ... ..	282
	(a) Public Health Acts ... ..	186
	(b) Housing Acts ... ..	96
2.	Number needing further action ... ..	237
	(a) Number rendered fit by owners ... ..	237
	(b) Number rendered fit by Local Authority in default of owners ... ..	-
	(c) Number still in hand ... ..	-
	(d) Number unfit for human habitation .. ...	-
3.	Number of Demolition Orders made and which became operative ... ..	-
4.	Number of houses erected during 1940 ... ..	7
	(a) by Local Authority ... ..	-
	(b) by private enterprise ... ..	7
5.	Total houses in district ... ..	3090
	Total number of working class houses included in above	2749
6.	The Council are members of the Rotherham Regional Town Planning Committee and no resolution as to a scheme has been passed during the year.	
7.	Name and address of designated officer under Housing Consolidated Regulations: Ernest Adams, Council Offices, Swinton.	
8.	Overcrowding	
	a) (1) Number of dwellings overcrowded at the end of year ... ..	30
	(2) Number of families dwelling therein ... ..	36
	(3) Number of persons dwelling therein ... ..	278
	b) Number of new cases of overcrowding reported during the year ... ..	15
	c) (1) Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year ... ..	9
	(2) Number of persons concerned in such cases ... ..	77

